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SUBJECT: SOVIET MFA OFFICIAL ON SOVIET-FRENCH TALKS: NON-PROLI-
FERATION, CCD

1. DURING POL COUNSELOR'S CALL, JUNE 9, ON VIKTOR
ISRAELYAN, CHIEF OF THE SOVIET MFA'S INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZA-
TIONS DIVISION, ON OTHER MATTERS, ISRAELYAN INDICATED THAT
THE SOVIET-FRENCH TALKS LAST WEEK DURING THE VISIT BY
FOREIGN MINISTER DE GUIRINGAUD HAD TOUCHED ON DISARMAMENT/
NON-PROLIFERATION ISSUES AS FOLLOWS:

-- THE DISCUSSION OF NON-PROLIFERATION FOLLOWED UP
BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS IN PARIS IN APRIL. ISRAELYAN SAID
THAT THE SOVIET UNION SEEKS TO STRENGTHEN THE NON-PRO-
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LIFERATION REGIME BUT THAT THE FRENCH POSITION HAS NOT
CHANGED CONCERNING ITS ATTITUDE TOWARD THE LONDON
AGREEMENT. THIS IS THE REASON, SAID ISRAELYAN, THAT
THE NEXT MEETING, SCHEDULED FOR LATER THIS MONTH,
HAD BEEN CANCELLED. THE FRENCH SAID THAT THEY WERE
PREPARED TO MAKE A STATEMENT OF SUPPORT FOR NON-PROLIFERATION
AND FOR BROADER PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY.

THE FRENCH HAD WANTED TO DISCUSS TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SAID ISRAELYAN, BUT THE SOVIETS FELT THIS WAS INAPPROPRIATE IN THE CONTEXT OF DE GUIRINGAUD'S VISIT.

-- THE TEXT OF THE JOINT STATEMENT ON NON-PROLIFERATION (WHICH IS ONE OF THE DOCUMENTS EXPECTED TO BE SIGNED DURING BREZHNEV'S VISIT TO PARIS) HAD BEEN DISCUSSED AND THE TWO SIDES FOUND SOME FORMULAE ON WHICH THEY COULD AGREE. BUT DIFFERENCES REMAINED. THE FRENCH WERE VERY TOUGH IN REFUSING ANY LANGUAGE TAKEN FROM THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY, BUT THEY AGREED TO ESSENTIALLY THE SAME POINTS USING DIFFERENT LANGUAGE.

-- ALSO ON DISARMAMENT MATTERS, ISRAELYAN SAID THAT THE FRENCH HAD INDICATED THEIR READINESS TO JOIN THE CCD, BUT ONLY ON CONDITION THAT THE CO-CHAIRMANSHIP BE ABOLISHED. THEY INDICATED THAT THEY WERE IN NO HURRY, SAID ISRAELYAN, BUT THAT THEY WERE READY TO TAKE PART AND WOULD PLAY AN ACTIVE ROLE. ISRAELYAN SAID THAT THE SOVIETS CONSIDERED THIS A SIGNIFICANT SHIFT IN THE FRENCH POSITION AND WERE PLEASED BY IT. ON THE MATTER OF THEIR "ACTIVE" PARTICIPATION, ISRAELYAN SAID THAT THE CCD HAS ALWAYS ENTERTAINED DIVERGENT VIEWS. THE IMPORTANT THING WAS THAT THEY TAKE PART.

2. ISRAELYAN CLOSED BY SAYING THAT NO OTHER DISARMAMENT-RELATED ISSUES HAD BEEN DISCUSSED DURING CONFIDENTIAL

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DE GUIRINGAUD'S VISIT.
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